KEPR-TV Issues/Programs List for 4th Quarter 2011

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- 1. Crime
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KEPR-TV QUARTERLY REPORT 4th QUARTER 2011

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/1/11 Duration: Description:

The police were called in Weston after reports of a loud bang and a man with a pocket full of explosives.

While police were checking that out. someone else reported another small explosion elsewhere in Weston.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/4/11 Duration:

Description: Richland police say they pulled over Richard Linderman, who then apparently restarted his car and took off into Pasco. Police say he then got out of the car and tried to run away on foot, but was caught.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/5/11 Duration:

Description: a man is in jail suspected of 24-felony crimes.

Deputies say he burglarized a number of homes.

And search warrant apparently found many of the stolen items with Monty Baldomino.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/5/11 Duration:

Description: Most P-N-N-L computer systems are still shut down after a sophisticated cyber-

attack last week.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/6/11 Duration:

Description: convicted child molester Linda Lusk will be in court tomorrow to hear her

sentence.

The former Prosser Mayor made a plea deal with prosecutors on sex charges back in the

spring.

She was once facing three-felonies.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/7/11 Duration:

Description: the former mayor of Prosser -- convicted of molesting a boy. Linda Lusk was

sentenced to three-months in jail today.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/7/11 Duration: Description:

A Walla Walla man was busted for dealing meth.

Cops raided the apartment on Woodland after witnessing three meth purchases.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/811 Duration: Description:

Police tell KEPR they caught a couple metal thieves who ripped off an H-VAC unit and tried to sell

the metal in Kennewick.

Twin City Metals got suspicious when the two men tried to turn in metal that didn't look like

scrap.

It was traced back to a business in Toppenish -- and two men from the Yakima area were

arrested.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/9/11 Duration:

Description: it's not just one car hit by this S-U-V.

Police say the driver hit a car in Kennewick-- then drove across the Blue Bridge and hit another car in Pasco at the Lewis Street exit.

The officers who caught up with him say he also hit these rocks and ran off, but didn't get too

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/13/11

Duration:

Description: A loophole in state law is pretty hard to believe.

An accused child rapist gets to watch his own child porn videos -- right in his prison cell. Marc Gilbert is accused of luring young boys to his Lake Tapps home where he videotaped himself raping them.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/13/11 Duration:

Description: A man escaped from Walla Walla police not once, but twice -- running all the way

back to his home on Poplar before he was caught.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/13/11 Duration: Description:

KEPR is continuing to cover the massive vandalism and burglaries at Prosser High.

We learned a fifth graduate is now charged in the crimes.

Laurence Hall is the latest Mustang busted for incidents in April and June.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/14/11 Duration:

Description: continuing to cover the Pasco man accused of killing his pregnant ex-girlfriend last year. In court today Kurtis Chapman's defense lawyer confirmed he'll use an expert witness to determine if Chapman was mentally competent when he waived his right to remain silent and spoke to police.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/15/11 Duration:

Description: A Umatilla man accused of a shooting last year has finally been caught.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/18/11 Duration:

Description: a brazen afternoon bank robbery scared workers in Richland. Police tell KEPR a woman walked through the back door of Yakima Federal at Jadwin and Swift early this afternoon.

Program: KEPR-V News

Date: 7/18/11 Duration: Description:

A shooting in Pasco brought cops to North Elm today.

Cops found a 20-year-old Pasco man shot in the leg.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/19/11 Duration:

Description: on Monday's bank robbery at the Yakima Federal Credit Union in Richland. Police are

now looking closer at the fact this may be the so-called "bad Hair bandit."

Date: 7/19/11 Duration: Description:

Pasco police tell KEPR they know who was behind Monday's shooting on North Elm Street. Cops say Jessica Chavez was in the car that took off after a man was shot in the leg.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/19/11 Duration:

Description: the issue of a Pierce County inmate allowed to watch child pornography.in jail.

Now some students are trying to stop it.

Marc Gilbert is accused of videotaping himself raping young boys.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/20/11 Duration:

Description: a Richland bank robbery on Monday is now blamed on the serial thief known as the

"bad hair bandit." The FBI made the confirmation to KEPR just within the last hour.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/20/11 Duration:

Description: continuing to cover the shooting in a Pasco driveway this week. Police now know who the second person is -- that is blamed for the shooting.

Here's his picture -- Juan Perez-Saucedo.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/21/11 Duration: Description:

A man at a Franklin County migrant camp was stabbed late last night.

Deputies found the man off Dayton Road.

Joel Lopez-Cruz was arrested for assault -- and officers also recovered a weapon.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/21/11 Duration:

Description: the "Bad Hair Bandit."

The serial bank robber added Richland to her record of more than 20-banks held up in

Washington and Oregon.

Now KEPR is trying to get answers on how she has been able to rob so many banks -- without

being caught.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/21/11 Duration: Description:

A man from the Tri-Cities is linked to the bust of thousands of marijuana plants worth three-

million dollars.

They were pulled from the upper Tucannon River in Columbia County last week.

Santiago Orozco was arrested on drug and weapons charges.

Date: 7/22/11 Duration:

Description: A SWAT response brought out the brand-new armored vehicle after a known gang member barricaded himself inside a Kennewick home off Clearwater today.

Police kept cameras pushed back from the scene on Albany Court because of the danger.

They were tipped off Orlando Cameron was inside with seven-other people -- including three children.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/22/11 Duration:

Description: Richland Police say a "peeper" snuck up on a teenager at the Richland Target -- trying to snap photos as she changed in the dressing room.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date 7/22/11 Duration:

Description: a former Athena police officer took the stand in his own defense -- telling jurors he shouldn't have been romantically involved with a 15-year-old girl.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/27/11
Duration:
Description:

A former Athena police officer was found guilty of sex crimes.

The east oregonian reports -- Mark Ashcraft was convicted on all counts -- including felonies for child pornography

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/28/11 Duration:

Description: a Kennewick man is facing charges for molesting a toddler at the library on union. 32-year old Jeremy Walker admitted taking pictures and touching the girl inappropriately, saying he tried doing it so the child's parents didn't notice.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/28/11 Duration:

Description: another delay in a rape case out of South Richland.

The former handyman for the Villas at Meadow Springs -- is still in jail awaiting trial for the rape of a tenant.

Cody Kloepper is facing charges for the 2009 rape.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/24/11 Duration:

Description: A 24-year old man was arrested overnight in Richland, accused of stabbing someone

in the arm at the Towne Crier.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/26/11

Duration:

Description: KEPR is following up on the man accused of murdering the mother of his child in Pasco last year. KEPR found out doctors at Eastern State hospital said Gregorio Luna-Luna *is capable of standing trial for the death of Griselda Ocampo-Meza.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/26/11 Duration: Description:

The man suspected of raping a Moses Lake woman has been caught.

He's a 33-year old homeless man. Jerald Thomas

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/30/11 Duration: Description:

Police describe a luring incident Friday afternoon in Kennewick-- where a 15 year old was approached twice by a man in a car.

They say it happened here near the corner of Lincoln St and Okanogan at around 3 o'clock.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/1/11 Duration: Description:

A standoff scared people in a south Richland neighborhood -- after a call to police that a woman was being held at knifepoint.

Officers rushed to this apartment on Peachtree -- near Leslie and Gage.

After hours on the scene -- including use of a SWAT team robot and even breaking down the door -- police say Jerry Reis came out with his hands up -- and the woman was also safe.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/1/11 Duration: Description:

KEPR is continuing to cover the hold-up of a Walla Walla lingerie shop over the weekend. Police say they are done searching the car used in the robbery of a shop called "Taboo."

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Cops recovered cash, a BB gun, clothes, and things stolen from the store.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/1/11 Duration: Description:

A Milton-Freewater man was assaulted Friday after interrupting a couple's attempt to steal his

David Martinez had driven his son and a friend near Heritage and Detour just before midnight to help fix a flat.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/1/11 Duration: Description:

A Benton County chiropractor faces charges from the state.

Scott Akridge is accused of unprofessional conduct -- after the department of health says he billed patients' insurance companies for treatment that wasn't provided.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/2/11 Duration: Description:

The internal investigation is underway into the officer-involved shooting that killed a 60-year old Elgin man.

Police say Richard Shafer was armed with a rifle when they shot him one time -- while looking into a domestic disturbance call on South Eighth Street.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/3/11 Duration: Description:

Police say two men -- were in their front yard -- just minding their own business--when gang members attacked them.

It happened just as National Night Out was wrapping up.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/3/11 Duration: Description:

A Pasco man accused of killing his ex-girlfriend -- *will have his own statements to police used against him.

Chapman's attorney hoped to keep his confession out of the trial -- claiming his client had a diminished mental capacity because he was high on drugs at the time.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/4/11 Duration:

Description: ome large drug busts have taken tens of thousands of drugs off the streets -- in just the last two-days.

these include meth and marijuana.

the first -- a massive meth bust -- you're looking at 82-grand worth of the drug.

Hermiston Police found it tossed in a garbage can near the Foxwood Apartments on 11-th and Orchard.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/4/11 Duration: Description:

KEPR has learned the man suspected of stabbing two-people on national night out is still on the loose -- but thought to be here in the tri-cities.

Cops tell us Michael Esparza-Aguirre is a known gang member.

Date: 7/25/11 Duration:

Description: continuing to follow the case of the Pasco man accused of murdering his pregnant exgirlfriend. Kurtis Chapman was in court again today while the court determines whether he was mentally capable of agreeing to speak to police last year.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/5/11 Duration:

Description: A massive diesel theft ripped off a Richland fuel station.

Three-thousand gallons of diesel were taken early Thursday morning from Wondrack Distributing on Aaron Drive.

The fuel was worth 12-thousand doll

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/9/11 Duration: Description:

A Richland handyman went on trial today for rape at an upscale Meadow Springs apartment complex.

Prosecutors argue Cody Kloepper used his job as an apartment maintenance man to rape a woman right in her own home in the Villas at Meadow Springs.-

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:8/9/11 Duration:

Description: a Richland man is back in court on charges he caused the death of another one of his customers.

The Tri-City Herald reports Brian Burt is now facing homicide charges in Franklin County.

The paper says Burt is accused of dealing heroin to a man who o-d'd.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/9/11 Duration: Description:

A Pasco man is accused of mugging two-men over the weekend.

The Tri-City Herald reports Donald Smith was arrested Sunday after an attack on Savary Drive.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/10/11 Duration:

Description: KEPR has learned the death of a special needs baby is now being ruled a homicide. Back in the Spring, authorities responded to a 911 call that nine-month old Liam Smith stopped breathing.

The Benton County coroner now says he died from a massive blow to the head.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/10/11 Duration: Description: A Hermiston man will likely die in prison after repeatedly raping, sodomizing, and assaulting his wife.

Diego Andrade was found guilty on all counts he faced -- and was given a 56-year sentence.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/10/11
Duration:
Description:

A Touchet man will pay back more than 20-thousand dollars for ripping off the government. Michael Harrison will also spend six-months in jail for travel benefit fraud.

He filed hundreds of phony claims with the V-A -- claiming he was traveling from Omak to Spokane for medical treatment.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/11/11 Duration:

Description: Kennewick Police say they're working with other department's around the area to catch a man they call a "one man crime wave." Christopher Hill is suspected of burglary and car theft from Tuesday.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/11/11 Duration: Description:

A Pendleton woman is set to spend a year in prison for blowing pot smoke in her son's face --hoping to get him high.

Diane Etchison did this a number of times -- when her son was as young as ten.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/12/11 Duration: Description:

The prosecution has rested its case -- after a shocking rape inside a woman's upscale Richland apartment.

The former maintenance man for the Villas at Meadow Springs is on trial for attacking a woman on the property.

Prosecutors believe Cody Kloepper used his access to get a key to the woman's apartment -- beating her and raping her back in December 2009.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/14/11 Duration:

Description: A SUSPICIOUS FIRE IN THE MIDDLE OF SACAJEWEA STATE PARK.

YOU CAN SEE HERE THAT IT DESTROYED A PUBLIC RESTROOM.

POLICE AREN'T SAYING IF IT'S ARSON, BUT THEY DO TELL US GANG ACTIVITY IS INVOLVED.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/15/11 Duration: Description: The former handyman for a south Richland apartment complex is accused of raping one of the tenants there.

Cody Kloepper has been in jail every since his arrest last year for the rape back in December 2009. The woman was attacked in her own apartment at the Villas at Meadow Springs -- beaten with a pipe -- and raped.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/17/11 Duration:

Description:Oregon cop convicted of child porn and sex abuse. The East Oregonian reports Mark Ashcraft received a ten-year sentence for his crimes.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/17/11 Duration: Description:

Richland Officers have been cleared in the shooting death of a man who opened fire on them. Late today -- the Benton County prosecutor ruled the shooting of James Shultz was justified.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/18/11 Duration: Description:

A Kennewick standoff ended with the arrest of a man for attacking his father.

Cops took Jessie Delgado into custody after he was holed up half of the day in a home on Entiat

Avenue.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/18/11 Duration: Description:

KEPR is continuing to cover the former Portland cop accused of sex crimes in Columbia Park.

Ryan Graichen is accused of propositioning young girls.

His trial was supposed to start this month, but now it's been pushed back to October.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/18/11 Duration:

Description: KEPR is following up on the Prosser grads charged with causing half-a-million dollars in damage to the high school.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/22/11 Duration: Description:

Four gang members were arrested after a shooting at a Pasco convenience store last night.

Police tell KEPR -- Miguel Mayoral, Peter Moreno, and a couple young teenagers started fighting at the Pik-a-Pop on Sylvester -- after one of the teens fired his gun.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/23/11

Duration:

Description:a Kennewick man was arrested for beating his girlfriend with a hammer. Police say it all happened in front of his wife -- since the three live together on Edison. Patrick Fairley faces first degree assault charges.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/23/11 Duration: Description:

A teenager was robbed of his backpack last night in a Walla Walla park.

Authorities say two men jumped the boy -- taking his backpack and other items. Then punched him in the face when he tried to fight back.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/24/11 Duration: Description:

A Kennewick mother is in the Benton County jail today -- accused of sex with her own son. Investigators listened in on conversations between the woman and her 16-year old while he was being held at the juvenile justice center.

They say those conversations were inappropriate -- and led to the discovery that the 36-year old mother had been committing incest since the fall of last year.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/24/11 Duration:

Description: a robbery at the Richland bus transfer station. Cops say two men covered in Nazi tattoos approached a 16-year old -- and eventually made off with his cell phone and bus pass.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:8/24/11 Duration: Description:

Hermiston's Police Chief is now on paid leave -- accused of

"extreme and constant mistreatment of employees."

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/30/11 Duration:

Description: it now seems there was a history of abuse on the Richland toddler whose death was recently ruled a homicide. Just last week -- the death of one-year old Ryder Morrison was ruled a homicide.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/30/11 Duration: Description:

Pasco students are home safely after a shooting near their school.

Neighbors told KEPR they heard gunshots near Mercer Park on 8th Avenue and B Street -- and close to Virgie Robinson Elementary.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/30/11 Duration: Description:

Police also think it was a gang battle that led to a woman being shot in the head outside a

Pasco motel last night.

The 46 year old was sitting in a car on North Oregon Street when she was hit.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/30/11 Duration:

Description: continuing to cover the Pasco man accused of killing his pregnant ex-girlfriend.

Kurtis Chapman is appealing the court's decision to keep his case moving forward -- after

police listened in on a cell phone call between him and his lawyer.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:8/31/11 Duration: Description:

A Prosser man is suspected of torching his own bedroom.

Crews found the second story on a home on fire on Court Street early this morning. The flames were put out quickly -- but you can see this upper level is a total loss.

41-year old Donald Eide lives in the bedroom and was arrested -- and suspected of arson

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/31/11 Duration:

Description: continuing to cover the Richland toddler whose death was recently ruled a

homicide.

As we always say, KEPR works to get all sides of a story.

And once again we reached out to the family of Ryder Morrison.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/31/11 Duration: Description:

A heroin dealer wants his confession to a crime thrown out.

The Tri-City Herald reports Brian Burt claims his initial arrest for littering was illegal.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/1/11 Duration:

Description: Richland police arrested a man they say is linked to at least half-a-dozen burglaries at local businesses.

They are also looking into whether he's been breaking into hotels, staying the night and stealing stuff from the mini bar.

Police say 17 businesses were burglarized by a crook with a similar M-O this month.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/6/11 Duration:

Description: love triangle in Walla Walla turned violent leaving an 18-year-old girl dead. Police say a mother of four stabbed a recent Wa-Hi grad to death -- all because of a man they were fighting over.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/6/11 Duration: Description:

A Labor Day Bar-B-Que ended in multiple arrests at a Kennewick trailer park.

A man told police he was smacked with a pistol and a wrench when his neighbors robbed him of his cell phone.

Cops arrested 22-year old Mario Valasquez and 21-year old Johnny Borrego for robbery.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/7/11 Duration:

Description:cover the murder of a recent Walla Walla High School graduate.

Police are saying Audrey Brewer died in a fight with another woman -- over a man. Angela Effinger is the Walla Walla mother of four accused of stabbing the girl to death.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/12/11 Duration:

Description: *real officers made a drug bust in Richland, arresting two men for trying to sell meth. Police saw a car parked in the middle of Thayer -- early in the morning -- and when they walked up, could see a pipe and a baggie of meth in plain sight on the seat.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/12/11 Duration:

Description: police are looking for the man accused of swiping a wallet left behind at a grocery store. Kennewick Officers say this man took the wallet from the Red Apple Market on Washington over the weekend.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/12/11 Duration:

Description: Hermiston Police say their pickup was so loaded down with stolen metal -- it got stuck in a field at Circle "C" Equipment on Feedville Road.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/13/11 Duration:

Description: Police say a Kennewick woman set up her internet friend -- to have her boyfriend and his cousin rob him. Officers think Kathryn Wattenburger sent the two people to steal a man's medical marijuana in a church parking lot off West 27th Avenue in Kennewick -- holding him at gunpoint while taking the pot, cash and a phone.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/13/11 Duration: Description:

Walla Walla Police say a hallucinating man pulled a gun on them this morning.

Cops say Paul Anderson was recklessly driving his motor home on Bryant Avenue, when he pulled over and began waving a gun in the air.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/14/11 Duration:

Description: roads are still blocked off in Pasco after a police officer shot a man this

afternoon.

Officers were chasing a burglary suspect when the decision was made to fire on him.

The incident forced thousands of kids around Pasco to be let out of school late.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/15/11 Duration: Description:

KEPR is continuing to cover that officer-involved shooting in East Pasco.

Tonight -- we know more about what led to the shooting.

Date:9/16/11 Duration:

Description: t's a troubling story -- a 14-year old is blamed for holding up four of his middle school classmates at *gunpoint. The trouble happened while the kids were on their way home from Horse Heaven Hills middle school.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/16/11 Duration: Description:

A gang fight resulted in two-arrests after people were brawling at the Heatherstone Apartments on west tenth.

Police believe 15 people were involved in the melee -- but when cops showed up -- everyone scattered.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/19/11 Duration:

Description: new information on the Walla Walla mother of four accused of killing a young woman in a fight over a man. Angela Effinger pleaded not guilty to first degree murder in court today.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/20/11 Duration:

Description: new information on the case involving the death of a Richland toddler. Police tell us they forwarded the results of their investigation to the Benton County Prosecutor, who will now decide if any charges will be filed.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/20/11 Duration:

Description: Pendleton police officer is on paid leave after shooting a man. We're told he'd been searching the area after 9-1-1 received reports that a man was armed and possibly suicidal.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/20/11 Duration:

Description: The man accused of murdering the mother of his child in Pasco last year -- will begin trial this January in Franklin County.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/20/11 Duration:

Description: As expected, a Richland drug dealer pleaded guilty in court today after he was

blamed for the overdose deaths of five-people.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/21/11 Duration: Description:

KEPR is continuing to cover cases of credit card fraud at Hanford.

A final worker pleaded guilty to the charges.

The former lab operations manager used his federal purchase card to divert nearly half-a-million dollars his way -- and covered it up with fake charges to his wife's company.

Date:9/23/11 Duration: Description:

KEPR is continuing to cover the former South Richland handy-man who raped a woman at the apartments where he worked.

Cody Kloepper was sentenced for his crimes today, and he won't be making parole for at least 24-and-a-half years.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/23/11 Duration: Description:

Richland Schools say there was no kidnapping attempt of a kid outside Marcus Whitman Elementary.but police tell us they are investigating.

The story ran rampant when a young girl said a man approached her during recess and offered her water if she followed him to his car.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/26/11 Duration:

Description: a drug bust at a home right near a Pasco elementary school.

Two-people were arrested.

The Tri-City Metro Drug Task Force was keeping an eye on the home on North Tenth after getting a tip it was a drug house.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/26/11 Duration: Description:

A stabbing over the weekend at a home in Finley ends with the arrest of one man.

Deputies say a 14-year old girl pulled a knife on her 19-year old brother at their home in a mobile-home park on state route-397.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/29/11 Duration:

Description: three-girls claimed they were nearly lured on their way to

Hawthorne Elementary.

The district says a man in a white truck with a red canopy approached the kids and told them to get in the car.

The girl ran off -- and the school called police.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/30/11

Description: a story we brought you yesterday about girls approached on their way to Hawthorne Elementary. Police say the man yelled at *two girls and told them to get in his truck.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/30/11 Duration: Description:

A Hermiston man is in jail -- accused of sexually abusing an eight-year old girl. Police arrested 49-year old John Bindley -- he's charged with multiple sex crimes.

Economy:

Date: 7/1/11 Duration:

Description: The Columbia Center Mall is getting its second sit-down restaurant. After four years of sitting empty this storefront next to the Loft will now be Twigs Bistro and Martini Bar.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/7/11 Duration:

Description: more money is coming to local law enforcement to fight crime and make our

community safer.

The money will be split up between the sheriff's office as well as Kennewick and Richland Police. The bulk of the money will go to Kennewick for a new security system -- while the sheriff's office plans to use the money for new camera and recording equipment, that will make it quicker to get warrants.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/8/11 Duration:

Description: As Hanford prepares for its own layoffs this fall -- the hit will be even greater to Umatilla County when a thousand jobs are lost at the Umatilla Chemical Depot.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/8/11 Duration:

Description: with those losses comes word of new jobs for the city of Hermiston. Good

Shepherd Hospital expects to add 15-new jobs -- and anything helps.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/10/11 Duration: Description:

This week the Hanford site will host a visit from the Department of Energy's Deputy

Secretary

During his visit Monday and Tuesday, the Deputy Secretary plans to will hold several meetings to discuss "the importance of a robust nuclear safety culture at Hanford".

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/10/11 Duration: Description:

Tourism leaders tell us tournaments and events in the hot months bring in over 10 million dollars a year.

We also found that hotels like Oxford Suites are sold out on the weekends in the summer months, with tournaments and events making up for 30 to 40 percent of business.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/12/11 Duration: Description:

More stimulus money poured into Hanford than for any other project in town.

But the benefits of the federal money went well beyond the site.

In fact, KEPR learned the Pasco Boys and Girls Club was actually a big beneficiary.

Date: 7/14/11 Duration:

Description: Hermiston is working on bringing in a new Fred Meyer and possibly an Applebee's

to town.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:8/4/11 Duration: Description:

We learned a new restaurant is going into Southridge near the Cynergy building.

Costa Vida is a Mexican restaurant based out of Salt Lake.

Local Education:

It's a story you'll see only on KEPR -- questions about over a local high school principal -- accused of pulling a knife on a student.

It's a story I've been on top of for days -- and I've talked to many parents concerned about what happened last week at Kiona-Benton High School.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/4/11 Duration:

Description: A brand new program called "firme" will be offering education to former gang members seeking to make a change. They can take school district, G-E-D, and job training classes with other former gang members, under the guidance of those who've left the gang life successfully.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/12/11 Duration:

Description: the Pasco schools have a new plan to bring up poor scores on state testing. This summer teachers have attended more summits and conferences than ever before.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/12/11 Duration: Description:

A banned book is back on the list of approved reading in the Richland schools.

The board had outlawed the title, "The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian."

But last night.the board voted to bring the novel back.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/14/11 Duration:

Description: hundreds of troubled boys leave a life of crime to attend a reform school right in our backyard. Jubilee Ranch can be just the thing for kids in need from across the country.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/17/11 Duration:

Description: check in to see if any decisions had been made to ease school overcrowding in Pasco. We learned a decision would not come until August on whether the district will adopt a year-round calendar, online learning, or a split-shift schedule where half the students would

attend class in the early morning-- and the other half in the afternoon.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/20/11 Duration:

Description: Pasco desperately needs to build more schools -- but when voters struck down that option -- the district is forced to make do with what it's got -- and still give kids an education. that plan to make-do has included thinking outside the box -- to fit more kids into the same buildings.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/24/11 Duration:

Description: Mike and Nicole Bargewell hated seeing their fourth grade daughter come home in tears. They say she's being bullied in school and on the school bus. Her mom is so fed up with it she says she went to the bully's parents, the school principal, and even to the governor. KSD

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/24/11 Duration: Description:

Get ready to voice your opinion on how to ease overcrowding within the Pasco School District.

This week the district will host two public meetings to talk about the options it's considering.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/25/11 Duration: Description:

Kennewick School District has about 90 followers on its Facebook page -- and Richland has

300.

The districts are using the pages to let people know about things like school closures and other major events.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/3/11
Duration:
Description:

Prosser Schools have a new budget for the upcoming year.andit's short more than a million

dollars.

Our partners at the Tri-City Herald report this is mostly blamed on state budget cuts.

The paper says the district dipped into its reserves to avoid staff cuts.

The most controversial decision was to convert nearly all librarians into classroom teachers.leaving just one librarian to rotate between the five-schools.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/5/11 Duration: Description:

Walla Walla has adopted a new bullying policy.

The district wanted to make it easier for teachers.students and parents to complain.

A new incident form can be turned in anonymously.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:8/5/11 Duration: Description: Not a single district in Umatilla County met the mark for Adequate Yearly Progress.

This is a measurement set up by the No Child Left Behind act -- and while the numbers are always surprising to parents -- they're frustrating to teachers.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/11/11 Duration: Description:

In an effort to make students feel safer Kennewick schools have added a new online service. Students can now report bullying, sexting or anything else that makes them feel unsafe --without seeing a teacher or giving their name.

Kids can go to a link on the district's website with an "anonymous tips" banner.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/18/11 Duration:

Description: the Finley School District has a new superintendent for the upcoming school

year.

The former head of River View has taken over. It's Lance Hahn's first job as a superintendent.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/18/11 Duration: Description:

The Touchet School District has been through a roller coaster the past few years -- At one point -- bad bookkeeping meant teachers didn't get paid right before Christmas. The state began to investigate -- and Touchet Schools brought in a new superintendent specialized in solving money problems.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:8/19/11 Duration: Description:

Pasco has a new plan to cut dangers on the ride to school.

After numerous accidents involving buses hit by distracted drivers -- kids will now see fewer stops along bus routes.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:8/19/11 Duration:

Description: students are filling up south Richland elementary schools -- forcing changes for

the district.

KEPR learned White Bluffs elementary now has 700 students -- an amount normally seen in middle schools.

The south Richland area is becoming so popular -- new students are often being bused to Lewis and Clark elementary instead.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:8/22/11 Duration: Description:

Your child might have more classmates than you expected this year.

Registration is up for local districts -- and the delicate balance between teachers and students could get compromised.

Date: 8/22/11 Duration: Description:

If you think your child's classroom is too full -- you might have considered changing schools. But KEPR found out this isn't an easy process.

Richland says it received eleven-hundred applications to transfer schools for the upcoming year.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/30/11 Duration:

Description: Just as kids head back to class -- parents learn Tri-Cities schools are not making

the grade for state standards.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/30/11 Duration: Description

One Kennewick elementary school is breaking the norm on its test scores -- despite the

challenges it faces.

Washington Elementary is the second best elementary school in Kennewick according to the

spring 2011 test scores.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/30/11 Duration: Description:

Oregon made its elementary and middle school math tests much harder this year.

But in every grade, students met the challenge and passed at dramatically better rates than had been predicted.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/2/11 Duration: Description:

Covering Umatilla County -- and KEPR is following up on test scores in math after Pendleton made a big push to boost its results.

The district brought in a math specialist to help the high school students -- and it appears to have worked.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/8/11 Duration: Description:

Drug and Alcohol use among kids is not going away.but several people dedicated to keeping kids clean are.

KEPR learned budget cuts mean fewer "Prevention-Intervention Specialists" in schools right here in the Tri-Cities.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/8/11 Duration: Description:

Also in Walla Walla -- every elementary school made gains in its adequate yearly progress

scores

Even so, educators say the bar is still unreasonably high -- and it keeps rising.

Date:9/9/11 Duration: Description:

It's a story you'll see only on KEPR -- questions about over a local high school principal -- accused of pulling a knife on a student.

It's a story I've been on top of for days -- and I've talked to many parents concerned about what happened last week at Kiona-Benton High School.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/13/11 Duration: Description:

KEPR continues to cover the case we first broke last week -- of the High School principal accused of threatening a student with a knife.

The head of Ki-Be Schools told me the rules on weapons on campus are different for adults. But the state superintendent's office tells KEPR faculty members are only allowed to carry knives if they leave them in their cars.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 0/19/11 Duration: Description:

A bomb scare at Ki-Be High School had the main offices locked down earlier today.

Officials tell KEPR a student brought in a piece of pipe.claiming he had exploded it at home.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date:9/19/11 Duration: Description:

In the meantime, KEPR now has the latest on the Ki-Be High School Principal accused of pulling a knife on a student.

I've now learned that student and his family have filed for a restraining order against principal Wayne Barrett.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/19/11 Duration: Description:

The first day of school kicked off today at C-B-C in Pasco. Budget cuts there have directly affected students and staff.

Almost 100 teacher cut-backs, including all part-time and adjunct teachers are leaving classrooms especially full this year.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/27/11 Duration: Description:

KEPR is continuing to follow up on the case of the Ki-Be High School principal accused of pulling a knife on a student.

We've learned the prosecutor should be getting the latest investigative report from the Sheriff's office *this week.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/28/11
Duration:
Description:

KEPR is also continuing to cover the controversy over the Ki-Be High School principal accused of threatening a student with a knife.

In court today -- a judge decided principal Wayne Barrett no longer has to stay 25-feet away from Roel Corral, the student who filed a protection order against him.

Local Hanford:

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/1/11 Duration: Description:

Washington lost its fight to keep Yucca Mountain open.at least for now.

A federal appeals court ruled against Washington and other states trying to ship nuclear waste to Nevada.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/5/11 Duration: Description:

A meeting is planned on the status of contaminated soil at Hanford.

The D-O-E and the E-P-A plan to make one of the first decisions about environmental cleanup in the approximately 10 square miles of central Hanford, where permanent disposal of radioactive waste is planned.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/6/11 Duration:

Description: In more local news -- if Hanford land is handed back to the public -- The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation say they have the first claim to it.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/11/11 Duration: Description:

A top executive from the D-O-E came to town today.

The Deputy Secretary of Energy visited Hanford's Vit plant today.

It was a big deal for workers -- as more than 12-hundred employees got to hear from Daniel Poneman.

As you know -- the vit plant is already well behind schedule.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/13/11 Duration: Description:

Hanford's B Reactor is another step closer to becoming a national historic *park.

The National Park Service made the recommendation to commemorate the Manhattan Project.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/14/11 Duration:

Description: claims will be settled with more than 100-people who say they got sick from

Hanford radiation.

It would be the largest settlement so far in a civil case with D-O-E that has lasted 20 years. Each Hanford downwinder would receive about 57-hundred dollars.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/28/11 Duration: Description:

Hanford cleanup contractors began to notify workers today whether they'd be laid off at the end of September.

Up to 12-hundred workers will be effected by the cuts.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/29/11 Duration: Description:

Washington is suing the feds over Hanford waste.

Today -- Attorney General Rob McKenna filed a suit against the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

This is all over the Yucca Mountain site that was supposed to take Hanford waste -- and is now considered off the table.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/3/11 Duration:

Description: new, more dangerous project is now underway at Hanford. It's taken years just to get to the point of cleanup -- decades after the waste was dumped.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/3/11 Duration: Description:

In the meantime, the outage at Energy Northwest is now expected to take three months longer than originally planned.

Delays in replacing a key piece of equipment could now push the outage into September.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/11/11 Duration: Description:

Pacific Northwest National Labs is showing off a new study to protect your drinking water.

Scientists have begun a study on glass -- to make sure the nuclear waste at Hanford won't pollute the Columbia River once it's turned into glass.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/15/11 Duration:

Description: s stimulus money runs out at Hanford -- a new project has finished ahead of schedule. About 100-million dollars went to expand the disposal facility -- which is basically a huge landfill.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/18/11 Duration: Description:addtional layoffs coming to Hanford. Our partners at the Tri-City Herald report more than a thousand workers are expected to lose their jobs within the next two months.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/19/11 Duration:

Description: the latest round of layoffs announced at Hanford.

Those affected had their first chance to explore their options at a job fair at the TRAC today.

Around 100-different employers were there --

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/25/11 Duration: Description:

Harnessing pollution from power plants is the new target of a PNNL study.

Roughly two-million dollars in grant money will investigate new, organic-based solvents that may capture carbon dioxide emissions.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/28/11 Duration: Description:

The future of several historic buildings at Hanford will be made on Monday.

The announcement will include what will happen to the B Reactor-- which is the world's first-ever plutonium reactor.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/29/11 Duration:

Description: Hanford's B-Reactor is one step closer to becoming a National Park. Legislation this fall could bring a big addition to Tri-Cities tourism -- bringing more dollars and people to

tow

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/18/11 Duration:

Description: The effort to cleanup sections of Hanford got a major push this afternoon.

Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, Governor Gregoire, Senator Cantwell and Representative Doc Hastings each got an up close look at the clean-up that needs to happen at Hanford.

CANDIDATES

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/10/11 Duration:

Description: It's less than a week to the primary.and I think it's safe to say Loren Nichols has all of sudden spiced up what would probably be a bland.city council election.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/11/11 Duration: Description:

After saying illegal immigrants should be shot at the border -- a Kennewick City Council Candidate is getting more attention then he expected.

In an interview with KEPR yesterday, Loren Nichols said Illegal Immigrants should receive the death penalty.

Date: 8/17/11 Duration:

Description: a controversial city council candidate in Kennewick. Loren Nichols is talking to KEPR about his win in the primary election.